

# HOW TO SURVIVE IF YOU HAVE NO ONE TO KISS ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

#### If You Are with Others

Keep a glass in your hand.

If others think you are being festive and uninhibited, you are much more likely to receive a kiss. Even if you are not drinking, always hold a partly full glass of champagne.

Hug people.

As the clock strikes midnight, begin hugging everyone around you.

Select a desirable person.

As you are hugging, look for an attractive person who you would enjoy kissing and who might kiss you. If a person is not randomly kissing others, he or she may be less likely to kiss you.

Begin your approach.

Act casual, but keep your destination in view. Slowly move toward your chosen one, hugging everyone on the way.

## Time your arrival.

Do not appear to be "lining up" to kiss this person. Time your arrival precisely as the person releases the previous reveler.

#### 6 Yell first, then hug.

Yell "Happy New Year!" as you move in. Hug, embrace, then pull away slightly.

#### 7 Kiss.

Keep your mouth closed, pucker slightly, and plant the kiss.

#### IF YOU ARE ALONE

## Kiss a pet.

Dogs are generally agreeable and have relatively clean mouths. Cats are usually well groomed but are more passive and tend to get rather than give. Keep your mouth closed.

## Kiss yourself.

Find a mirror, pucker up, lean close, and kiss. Keep the lips slightly parted. Do not attempt to use your tongue. Wipe the mirror clean after you have completed your kiss. You may also try kissing the back of your hand.

#### Kiss a celebrity.

Watch a favorite movie or show on television and kiss the screen when an appealing star has a close-up.



If no humans are available to kiss at midnight, try kissing a pet. Keep your mouth closed.

Wipe the screen first to remove dust and static electricity, and wipe the screen after to remove any evidence.

# Hug a pillow.

Full-body pillows are more satisfying.

# Call a friend on the phone.

After you wish your friend a happy New Year, give the telephone mouthpiece loud, smacking kisses. (This works less well with cellular phones.)